

HOUSE JOINT RESOLUTION 14  
By Newton

A RESOLUTION to propose an amendment to Article I, of the  
Constitution of Tennessee, relative to abortion.

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE ONE HUNDRED  
FOURTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF TENNESSEE, THE SENATE  
CONCURRING, That a majority of all the members of each house concurring, as shown by the  
yeas and nays entered on their journals, that it is proposed that Article I, of the Constitution of  
Tennessee be amended by adding the following language as a new, appropriately designated  
section:

Nothing in this Constitution secures or protects a right to abortion or the funding  
thereof. The legislature shall have the sole authority to make and shall make such  
provisions for abortion as it determines reasonably necessary for victims of rape, incest,  
and to save the life of the mother.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, That the foregoing amendment be referred to the One  
Hundred Fifth General Assembly and that this resolution proposing such amendment be  
published by the Secretary of State in accordance with Article XI, Section 3, of the Constitution  
of Tennessee.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, That the Clerk of the House of Representatives is  
directed to deliver a copy of this resolution to the Secretary of State.